Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (currently amended): A method comprising:

detecting a device;

detecting a device type of the device; [[and]]

transmitting a signal to the device for selectively disabling a function of the device based on the device type<u>;</u>

<u>requesting a payment to restore device function;</u>

<u>executing a payment transaction; and</u>

<u>restoring the disabled function of said device in response to said payment transaction</u>.

2. (currently amended): The method according to Claim 1 further comprising<u>:</u>

detecting a location of the device<u>;</u>

<u>wherein selectively disabling a function of the device is based on the location of the device</u>.

3. (currently amended): The method according to Claim 2 <u>further comprising exempting the disabling of functions of the device in response to detecting device characteristics indicative of emergency services</u> ~~wherein disabling the function is based on the location of the device~~.

4. (original): The method according to Claim 1 further comprising detecting a profile containing a device type field and a function field.

5. (original): The method according to Claim 4 further comprising storing the profile with a storage module.

6. (currently amended): The method according to Claim 1 wherein the function to be selectively disabled is a function which produces is producing an audible alert, or emits an audible sound.

7. (currently amended): The method according to Claim [[1]] 6 wherein the function to be selectively disabled is the ability to carry on a conversation on a cellular phone is emitting an audible sound from the device.

8. (currently amended): The method according to Claim 1 wherein the function to be selectively disabled is a function which captures is capturing an image with the device.

9. (currently amended): The method according to Claim 1:
wherein the device is a still camera, a video camera, personal digital device with an image capture module, or image capture device.

10. (currently amended): The method according to Claim 1 wherein the device is a cellular phone, or a pager.

11 [[12]]. (currently amended): The method according to Claim 1 wherein the device is a portable music device.

12 [[13]]. (currently amended): The method according to Claim 1 wherein said payment transaction comprises a credit card authorization or a micro-payment authorization~~the device is a video camera~~.

13 [[14]]. (currently amended): A system comprising:
means for detecting a device;
means for detecting a device type of the device; ~~and~~
means for transmitting a signal to the device for selectively disabling a function of the device based on the device type;
means for requesting a payment to restore device function;
means for executing a payment transaction; and
means for restoring the disabled function of said device in response to said payment transaction.

14 [[15]]. (currently amended): A method comprising:
detecting a device;
detecting a device type and location of the device; [[and]]
selectively disabling a function of the device based on the location of the device and the device type;
requesting a payment to restore device function;
executing a payment transaction; and
restoring the disabled function of said device in response to said payment transaction.

15 [[16]]. (currently amended): The method according to Claim [[15]] 14 further comprising exempting the disabling of functions of the device in response to detecting certain device characteristics requesting a payment from the device for restoring the function.

16 [[17]]. (currently amended): The method according to Claim [[16]] 15 wherein said certain device characteristics comprise characteristics which indicate the device is used by the police or emergency services further comprising restoring the function of the device in exchange for the payment.

17 [[18]]. (currently amended): The method according to Claim [[15]] 14 further comprising recalling a profile including an area field, a device type field, and a function field for disabling the function of the device.

18 [[19]]. (currently amended): The method according to Claim [[15]] 14 wherein the device type is an image capturing device.

19 [[20]]. (currently amended): The method according to Claim [[15]] 14 wherein the device type is a cellular phone device.

20 [[21]]. (currently amended): The method according to Claim [[15]] 14 wherein if said selective disabling of a function is not confirmed, then an indiscriminate disablement of the device is performed or the device is turned off disabling the function turns the device off.

21 [[22]]. (currently amended): The method according to Claim [[15]] 14 wherein selectively disabling the function prevents the device from emitting sound.

22 [[23]]. (currently amended): The method according to Claim [[15]] 14 wherein selectively disabling the function prevents the device from capturing an image.

23 [[24]]. (currently amended): A system, comprising:
a recognition module for detecting a device and a device type of the device;
a location module for detecting a location of the device; [[and]]
a storage module configured for storing a profile that selectively disables a function of the device based on the device type and the location of the device; and
a transaction module configured to handle a payment request in exchange for restoring the function of the device which was disabled.

24 [[25]]. (currently amended): The system according to Claim [[24]] 23 further comprising indiscriminate disabling of the device if said selective disabling of a function is not confirmed a transaction module configured to handle a payment request in exchange for restoring the function of the device.

25 [[26]]. (currently amended): The system according to Claim [[24]] 23 wherein the recognition module further comprises detecting an identity of the device.

26 [[27]]. (currently amended): The system according to Claim [[24]] 23 further comprising an interface module for communicating with the device.

27 [[28]]. (currently amended): A computer-readable medium having computer executable instructions for performing a method comprising:
detecting a device;
detecting a location of the device;

detecting a device type of the device; [[and]]

selectively disabling a function of the device based on the location and the device type;

requesting a payment to restore device function;

executing a payment transaction; and

restoring the disabled function of said device in response to said payment transaction.